

ISAC Meeting – December 2011

ACTION OR INFORMATION ITEM

SPONSOR (Name/Email): ISAC Prevention Sub-committee

TOPIC: Invasive Hitchhikers through the Internet

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1. DESCRIPTION OF AGENDA ITEM:

This presentation will be a part of the E-commerce session and will address inadvertent movement of invasive species hitchhiking with the legal movement of goods through internet trade. Speakers will focus on both the plant and animal trade.

2. WHY IS THIS ITEM IMPORTANT TO NISC / ISAC? HOW IS IT RELATED TO THE NATIONAL INVASIVE SPECIES MANAGEMENT PLAN?

The issue is of particular importance to ISAC as the prevention subcommittee has selected E-commerce as its primary focus for the near-term future (potentially lead to a white paper and/or recommendations to NISC). This topic relates to the management plan primarily in addressing objective P.2 focusing on unintentionally introduced invasive species.

3. PREVIOUS ACTIONS TAKEN BY NISC / ISAC ON THIS ITEM:

This topic has been discussed in the context of E-commerce by the prevention subcommittee. The information from this presentation will hopefully provide some insight as they develop a white paper on this subject.

4. ACTION REQUESTED OF NISC / ISAC:

The E-commerce session is intended as an information gathering exercise to inform the development of a white paper and/or recommendations to NISC which will be forthcoming.

5. ALTERNATIVES:

This topic could be briefly mentioned during some of the other presentations or presented directly to the prevention subcommittee.

6. ATTACHMENTS: